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USSR

Large New Building Under Construction at the Elektrostal Uranium Metal Plant

25X1D

A very large industrial building, measuring approximately 605 by 335 feet, has been newly identified on Mission the Elektrostal Uranium Metal Plant (55-47N 38-30E), 29 nautical miles east of Moscow. Initial construction activity began between This expansion at Elektrostal may indicate increased requirements for uranium feed materials. However, in view of the considerable age of this plant and the large Soviet capacity to produce feed materials elsewhere, the possibility exists that Elektrostal may be undergoing conversion to a non-nuclear function.

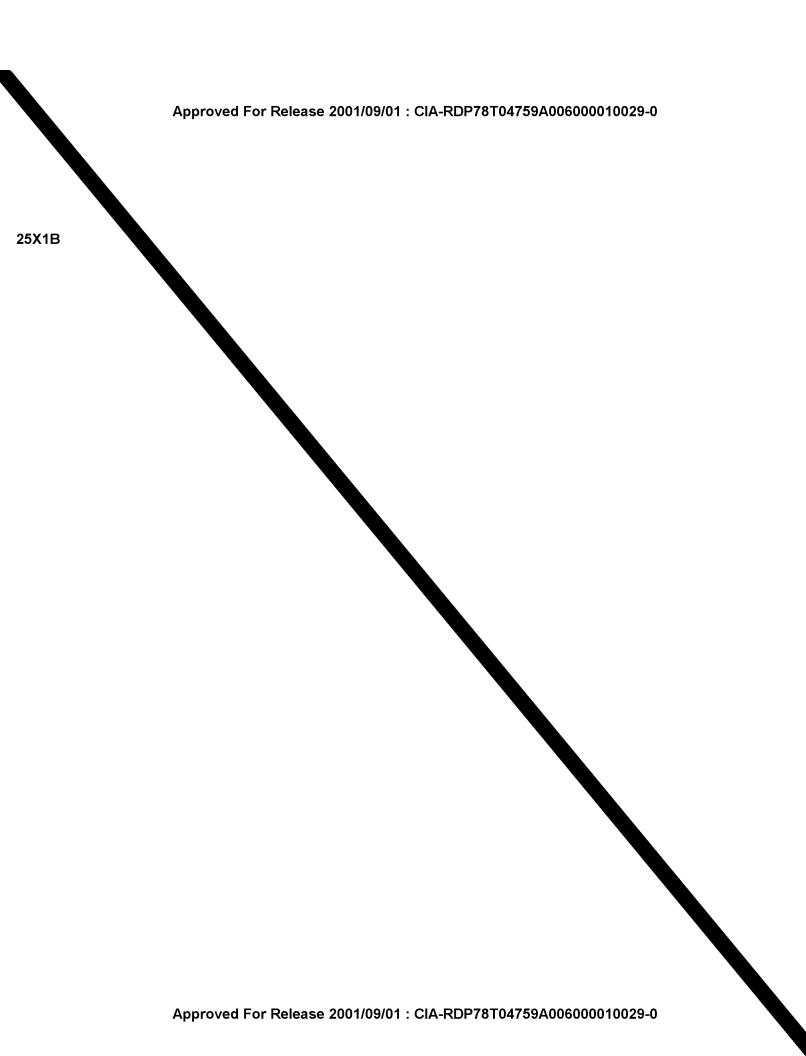
The new building is presently being roofed and has the characteristics of a heavy fabrication building. Although slightly larger, it closely resembles the buildings at the Novosibirsk Uranium Metal Plant (55-05N 82-59E) which are thought to deal with green salt (UF4) production and uranium metal reduction and fabrication.

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CUBA

Probable Optical Tracking Facility, Havana

A probable optical facility for satellite tracking has been identified near Havana, Cuba from It 25X1D is located two kilometers south of the Havana suburb of Santiago de Las Vegas at 22-57N 82-24W. The facility consists of a main building with a probable optical unit on the roof and a small support building that may house the photographic equipment. An object centered on the roof of the main building appears to be a small covering dome mounted on a square base.

A search of this area was generated by identifying an optical tracking station within a few meters of this facility. The report stated that the station was a telescopic and photographic facility.

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